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THE GERMAN KRIEGS ORGANIZATION IN SPAIN

The following is reported to be the setup of the Kriegs organization in Spain:

On 15 March 1944, a conference is reported to have taken place in Berlin between Schellenberg, Von Grote, Commander Pfeiffer, Hansen, and Commander Lenz who is the chief of the Kriegs organization in Spain. In the interests of improving the camouflage, Abwehr declared that the Kriegs organization should be split up among as many organizations as possible. In Madrid were to be left three diplomatic officers, between twenty and twenty-five radio personnel, and forty employees. One employee was to stay in San Sebastian. One consular officer and three employees were to remain in Barcelona. The radio installation was to be left in the principal establishment. The Kriegs organization originally had one hundred and six people, forty-nine of whom were in the buros Plankertendveersen (sic), leaving fifty-seven for other Kriegs organization sections.

Besides these, there are twenty-three people with white cards attached to the German Embassy, adding up to a total staff of eighty. It is planned to decrease this number to seventy and make the following distribution: at the head office in Madrid: Commander Lenz; Frau Obermueller, in charge of the V-men card file; Fraulein Kasupel in charge of the mails.

First group: Lieutenant-Colonel Kieckbusch, Lieutenant Oberbeil, Sonderfuehrer Kuehenthal in charge of recruiting and leadership, Private Knappes Leiter des Aussendienstes, V-Mann Fuehrung, Fraulein Moyer (mittlings), Fraulein Zeinsohn, Fraulein Mann, Nonoom Knittel as office chief and interpreter, and Zierath.

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First subgroup: Navy: Commander Baltzer for Spanish ports; Petty Officers Steinbrueggen and Nugge in charge of a card file containing three hundred and sixty V-men on land and aboard all Spanish vessels; Seaman Otto who has specialized on convoys; Seamen Kuestner and Sick, Fraulein Rumm, Goedel, and Walders.

First subgroup: Air: Colonel Von Wockstern.

First subgroup G: Secret inks: Doctor Kuenkels is the director, working on stamps, copies, and documents; Frau Hirschner and Lamprecht are employees working on secret ink instructions to V-men and on photographic copying.

First subgroup: Army: Lieutenant-Colonel Dr. Schoens in charge of instructions and distribution of reports received from about three hundred and fifty V-men in every hostile country; Fraulein Preussein in charge of recording battle order of all enemy troop formations; Fraulein Spindler; Sonderfuehrer Canaris is in charge of the analysis of reports from North Africa and France.

First subgroup: J Radio: Captain Kohl.

First subgroup: Technical: Frau Balcker; Special Leader Cofmann, in charge of technical V-men; Luftwaffe Staff Engineer Dr. Weiss, responsible for technical air intelligence in Great Britain and America and for information about hostile aircraft making forced landings.

Second group: Captain Naumann zur Koenigsbrueck is the director in charge of contacts developed during and after the Civil War; others in group are Fraulein Heise and Sergeant Weber.

Third group: Lieutenant-Colonel Von Rohrsscheid, counter-espionage surveillance of enemy intelligence services; also Renz, Von Rudorff, Rudolph and Fraulein Lesius.

Administration: Staff Paymaster Franz Bach in charge of Kriegs organization foreign exchange, accounts, passports, salaries, and supplies; also Corporal Pfau and Paymaster Zimmer.

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